



NEWS RELEASE

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United States Attorney Joe Stecher, the Lincoln Police Department and the Federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms & Explosives announce the following information for the attention of the media:

Event Triggering this Release:

One August 6, 2009, the Honorable Richard G. Kopf, United States District Judge in Lincoln sentenced Cody D. Larkins to eleven months in imprisonment followed by three years of supervised release for the felony offense of possession of a stolen firearm. The defendant had pled guilty to this crime on May 20, 2009.

On November 20, 2008, Larkins was observed driving erratically in downtown Lincoln and was arrested for DUI. When he opened his car door to get out to take field sobriety tests, the officer observed a handgun in the door pocket of the driver's door. Larkins said it was his gun; he needed it for protection. It was a Glock .45 caliber handgun.

The gun was reported stolen from the garage of an Omaha residence sometime between November 14, 2008, and November 18, 2008.

Larkin later admitted he paid \$400-\$450 for the gun, and admitted he 'had a feeling' the gun was stolen when he bought it.

Name of Defendant: Cody D. Larkins

AKA:

Age: 19

City of residence: Lincoln, Ne

Crime(s) Charged and Potential Penalty (A CHARGE is merely an accusation and every defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty): Possession of Stolen Firearm, 0-10 years imprisonment, up to a \$250,000 fine, or both imprisonment and fine, not less than 3 years of

supervised release and a \$100 special assessment.

Specific Location of Alleged Crime: Lincoln, Nebraska

Location of Arrest: Lincoln, Nebraska

Alleged Dollar Loss/Type and Quantity of Drug: N/A

Others Charged in Same Scheme: None

Relevant Dates:

Date of Alleged Crime: January 22, 2009

Federal Arrest Date:

Date Complaint Issued:

Indictment Returned Date: January 22, 2009

Initial Appearance Date: February 10, 2009

Plea Date: May 20, 2009

Sentencing Date: August 6, 2009

Next Court Hearing Type and Date:

Assigned Magistrate Judge: Richard G. Kopf

Held without Bond, or Released from Custody: Released

In Continuous Custody Since:

Assigned District Court Judge: Richard G. Kopf

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